## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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MALARIA PEPTIDES (Rule 1.53(b) Continuation of Serial No. 08/714,175, Filed January 28, 1997)

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Kindly amend the application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, immediately after the title, please insert:

This application is a continuation of Serial No. 08/714,175 filed January 28, 1997.

Page 1, line 6, please replace with the following:

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION** 

## Page 1, line 24 to page 2, line 2, please rewrite the paragraph as follows:

This invention deals firstly with the identification of peptides from the malaria parasite Plasmodium falciparum which we identify as epitopes or potential epitopes for particular HLA class I molecules. A variety of evidence (cited in references 1 and 16 on page 16 hereinbelow) suggests that CTL play a role in immunity to this parasitic infection and disease by acting against